



Alison Kay Wiens Randall

October 5, 1965 - February 23, 2025

Alison Kay Wiens Randall was born in Worcester, Massachusetts on October 5, 1965, to The Rev. John and Alice (White) Wiens, joining older sister, Colleen, in the family home. Another sister, Laurel, would be born two years later, and the family would move to Hinsdale, Illinois in 1968, where her father served as Lead Pastor of the Evangelical Covenant Church in that city.

Alison is remembered as a bright, curious, funny, athletic and caring person. Her style was laid-back, friendly and compassionate. She was an excellent student, and her natural likeability drew people in. Alison developed a special heart for, "the lost, the last, the least and the lowest."

She graduated from Hinsdale High School in 1983 and then attended North Park University (Chicago, Illinois) where she majored in English. She spent several summers working at both Covenant Harbor Bible Camp (Lake Geneva, Wisconsin) and Covenant Point (Hagerman Lake, Michigan). She was a part of a mission trip to Haiti and to Mexico which gave her the opportunity to serve others. She graduated with honors from North Park in 1987.

Alison felt the call to ministry and entered North Park Theological Seminary in the fall of 1987. She would continue to hone her academic and preaching skills during her seminary days. Alison would serve her year of internship with

JPUSA in Chicago as she worked alongside the poor, needy and destitute. She received her Master of Divinity (MDiv) from NPTS in 1991, graduating as the class valedictorian. She was ordained by the ECC in 1993.

Alison would serve on the staff of an ECC church in San Diego, California, before entering the secular workplace.

Alison moved to Columbus in 2001 to be closer to both her sisters. While in Columbus, she met and married David Randall. Dave was the "love of her life" and together they formed a new home in the house that he owned in German Village.

Alison was a woman of faith who enjoyed hiking, walking, writing, reading and trying to make this world a kinder, more practical and wiser place to live. She appreciated all kinds of musical genres and enjoyed complex discussions over a variety of subjects. She loved animals and cared deeply about God's creation.

She died on February 23, 2025, after suffering a cardiac arrest.

Alison was preceded in death by her parents, John and Alice Wiens. She leaves behind her husband, Dave Randall; sisters, Colleen (Tim) Heintzleman, Laurel (Joel) Wrobbel; nieces, Moriah (Kevin) Schodorf, Rachel Wrobbel, Carissa (Matthew) Wrobbel-Downs; nephews, Micah (MacKenzie) Heintzleman, Joshua (Liza) Heintzleman; aunts, Roberta (Ron) Carlson, Helen Wiens, Esther Wiens and cousins Dan (Gina) Carlson, Sara (Peter) Davidson, Melissa Carlson, Mike Carlson, and many dear friends and loved ones.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to:
The Salvation Army

Peace to her memory.

Day Funeral Service is honored to serve the family of Alison Wiens Randall.

Tribute Wall

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“*Dave and Family, I am very sorry for your tremendous loss of Alison. Dave and loved ones, take comfort in knowing you gave her all good and love in her life. I send you my comfort, peace, strength and love. Cathy Longo Arment*

cathy Arment - February 28, 2025 at 09:40 AM

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Such a sad shock to hear the news of Alison's passing. I have fond memories of her growing up in her church in Hinsdale. Please accept my heartfelt condolences. Anders Benson

Anders Benson - March 03, 2025 at 01:33 AM

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Saddened by the loss, I remember a backpacking trip in Yosemite, late 80's, we came across a bear, off the trail, but Alison had to get closer for a better picture. No fear!

Brian Dinkel - February 10 at 03:09 PM